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Editor's Note: Chief Ranger Paul Austin will be available for questions and comments at the Rincon Mountain Visitor Center (east) at 3:30pm today, May 27. We apologize for the short notice and appreciate your assistance.

SAGUARO NATIONAL PARK SEEKS COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FOR SECOND VANDALISM INCIDENT IN MAY

Tucson, AZ – Saguaro National Park is seeking the public's assistance in connection with a second significant vandalism incident. At approximately 11:40 p.m. on Thursday May 23, park natural resources along the Douglas Springs Trail in the Rincon Mountain District (east) were damaged or destroyed, including at least one saguaro cactus.

N.P.S. Law Enforcement Rangers are requesting the community's help to identify two persons of interest, believed to have knowledge of this event.

"National Parks belong to all of us," according to Chief Ranger Paul Austin. "We take all incidents of damage to park resources very seriously. These incidents are investigated and those individuals found to be involved will be held responsible".

Anyone with information regarding this or other illegal activity in Saguaro National Park is encouraged to contact the park information hotline at (520)733-5150. Callers can remain anonymous.

For more information on Saguaro National Park, please visit the park's web site at www.nps.gov/sagu.

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